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Kucinich Subcommittee to Examine Medication Assisted Recovery for Drug Addiction

Washington D.C. (June 14, 2010) – Chairman Dennis Kucinich (D-OH) today announced a Domestic Policy Subcommittee hearing entitled “Treating Addiction as a Disease: The Promise of Medication Assisted Recovery.” The hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 23, 2010 in room 2154 Rayburn House Office Building.

The hearing will address the scientific evidence supporting treating drug addiction as a brain disease and the development and use of medications to treat addiction and assist in recovery.

This hearing is held as part of the Domestic Policy Subcommittee’s mandate as the authorizing committee for the Office of National Drug Control Policy in the House of Representatives.

WITNESS LIST

Panel I:

Dr. Thomas McLellan, Ph.D.
Deputy Director
Office of National Drug Control Policy

Nora D. Volkow, M.D.
Director
National Institute on Drug Abuse

Panel II:

Mr. Mike Mavromatis
Member
Addictionsurvivors.org

Dr. Jeffrey Samet, MD, MA, MPH
Professor of Medicine
Boston University School of Medicine

Gregory C. Warren, MA, MBA
President and CEO
Baltimore Substance Abuse Systems, Inc.

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Fairfield County, Ohio Alcohol Drug Abuse Mental Health Board

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